

# PERMANENT ORGANIZATION FORMED AT LAS CRUCES FOR THE "SOUTHWESTERN ALL- YEAR" PARK ASSOCIATION

Pursuant to a call issued at a preliminary meeting held in the city of El Paso a month before, about three hundred representatives of the southwest, met in Las Cruces last Saturday afternoon and created a permanent organization for the "Southwestern All-Year National Park" association.

At the meeting Saturday Hon. W. A. Hawkins was elected as temporary chairman. Judge H. H. Holt, of Las Cruces made a short address outlining the objects of the formation of such a park.

Governor Merritt C. Mechem was elected permanent president of the organization, with the following vice presidents: Col. R. E. Twitcheell, Santa Fe, first vice president; James G. McNary, El Paso, second vice president; B. C. Hernandez, Albuquerque, third vice president; Judge Sam Branton, Clovis, fourth vice president; W. D. Murray, Domingue, fifth vice president; C. W. Newman, El Paso, Treasurer.

Members of the executive committee who will serve until their successors are elected and the counties they represent are: A. J. Rolland, Lincoln; Dr. A. D. Cella, Chavez; Z. D. Moon, Eddy; Judge W. A. Hawkins, Otero; Robert Martin, Sierra; Governor Merritt C. Mechem, Socorro; H. H. Brook, Dona Ana; Major Richard F. Burgess, and Horace B. Stevens, West Texas.

Secretary Fall told the committee that, personally, he favored the proposed National Park in New Mexico, but as an officer of the government, officially he could say nothing until the matter came before him in regular course in the form of a bill put forward by representatives of the people.

In a personal way Mr. Fall, citizen of New Mexico, made several suggestions as to the bill. Principally they were connected with preservation of the rights of the parties now concerned in the territory proposed for the national park.

These are the Indian occupants, an Apache tribe of the Mesquero Indian reservation, and the water users who are interested in the Elephant Butte dam. Part of the big water reservoir project is included in the proposed park.

Should Come From People. Secretary Fall said that the matter should come directly from the people. When it does so in the form of a bill introduced in congress it will be referred to Secretary Fall for his recommendation as the head of the department of interior.

A subcommittee of the executive committee was appointed to look after the matter of drafting a bill for approval of the secretary of the interior after which the same will be submitted to congress.

As the park matter is now up to the people, we suggest that the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce meet with the Woman's Club at their next regular meeting which will be on the afternoon of Dec. 16, at 8 o'clock, to discuss the matter in detail and allow the ladies to have a voice in the matter which is so justly due them. The telegram received at the meeting at Las Cruces was commendable and brought the proper results, therefore, the Chamber of Commerce should get busy and meet with this important organization as the wheels of progress begin to turn in our favor, for the National Park means more to us than some may realize; it will carry everything with it that we have been standing in need of, and desire.

# 10% PRUNING OF FREIGHT RATES IS AUTHORIZED

Practically All Farm, Range and Orchard Products are Affected, Outside of New England States.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Voluntary railroad proposals for inauguration of a 10 per cent decrease in freight rates in practically all farm, range and orchard products in the United States, outside of New England, were accepted today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Orders were issued allowing the railroads to disregard all usual restrictions in making up the new rate schedule as well as each violation of the long and short haul clause of the interstate commerce act, as might be brought about by percentage reductions. The orders also permit rates to be put into effect on one day's notice on as early a date and in as inexpensive a manner as possible, for a six month experimental period.

The commission left standing its order of October 20, requiring an approximate 10% per cent rate decrease on grain, grain products and hay in the trans-Mississippi district, which the railroads were later instructed to put into effect by December 27.

At the same time the commission's investigation into the reasonableness of the general level of transportation rates in the United States will begin next week.

# RURAL DISTRICTS HEAR OPERA BY WIRELESS SETS

Chicago, Dec. 1.—On long winter nights when the family gathers round the fireplace in some isolated snow-bound farmhouse the members need not lack entertainment, for the air is full of music, short stories and gossip, free to every one prepared to receive it.

Thousands of amateur wireless operators, experts say, are listening nightly to grand opera, bed-time stories, phonograph and hand concerts, crop and weather reports and aerial gossip. Any wireless telegraph can, without additional equipment, pick up the radiophone messages and concerts.

With the inauguration of wireless grand opera by Mary Garden, director-general of the Chicago Opera company, three hours entertainment is furnished five nights a week.

Telephone transmitters over the stage at the Auditorium theatre pick up the opera and transmit it over ordinary land wires to a wireless station on the roof of a skyscraper several blocks away, and from there is sent out broadcast to any one with the proper equipment to receive it. The company operating the station maintains three other broadcasting plants, one at Pittsburgh, Pa., one at Newark, N. J., and one at Springfield, Mass. The program of the Pittsburgh plant is typical of the others. Early in the evening a bedtime story is read by the sending operator. The stories generally consume about 15 minutes time. Next the weather and crop reports are announced, followed by a phonograph or hand concert. This is the weekday schedule. On Sunday nights a specially prepared church sermon is sent.

As all the stations operate on different lengths, the amateur receivers can listen to all, one after another, by turning a small dial on their receiving sets.

The Chicago Opera service is the most ambitious program or all. At 8 o'clock, as the audience begins gathering at the Auditorium, the instruments are tested with a phonograph concert. A few minutes before 8 o'clock the "sender" announces the opera for the evening, the principal singers, the conductor, and then gives a brief synopsis of the first act, explaining the stage effects and scenery. At the end of each act a similar synopsis of the next scene is transmitted.

In the first test, when Samson and Delilah was sung, amateur stations have not only heard the orchestra and singers, but the clanking of the chains as Lucien Muratore, as Samson, paced his prison cell, and the storm of applause that marked each curtain call. The sounds were so clear that amplifying devices were unnecessary, ordinary receivers lying on the table at the receiving point spreading the music throughout the room.

# IMPORTANT EXCAVATIONS TO BE MADE IN CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO

The New Mexico Archaeological society in cooperation with the Archaeological society of Washington, D. C. and the Royal Ontario Museum, of Canada, have been granted concessions for excavations in pre-historic ruins of the cliff dwellers of Mexico.

One assured result of this enterprise will be the acquisition of what is probably the most important collection of archaeological material that has ever been excavated in the southwest. The collection will be shared equally by the three institutions, one third of it going to our State Museum in Santa Fe. It is of the greatest importance to us that a representative collection from that region be secured and kept here in the section where it was produced. It will be remembered that the Chihuahuan area is now an extension of our southwestern cliff dwelling and ancient pueblo region, and there the ancient culture reached its highest development.

Carrizozo was visited by a small snow this week, the first of the season. The portion we received here melted as it fell but the mountains are nicely capped with the "beautiful" at the present time.

# Black Smallpox in United States

(N. M. State Bureau of Health.) Black Smallpox, the most malignant form of the disease, is appearing again in the United States after an absence of many years, according to a news bulletin just issued by the New Mexico State Bureau of Health. This statement continues: "The papers have recently carried a word of high death rates from smallpox in some of the nearby states. While health officers everywhere have been watching the spread of this disease with a great deal of apprehension, it is only within the past year and a half that the malignant type has been making its presence felt in scattered communities."

"A survey of the smallpox situation in the United States and Canada has recently been completed by one of the largest insurance companies. This reveals some startling facts. In general, the western states have shown a steady and rapid rise in the number of cases, followed closely by one or two southern states. In one city of the latter group there were eight deaths, among twenty cases, from this one cause. Now comes reports of a high percentage of deaths in communities very close to our own borders."

"The statement of this insurance company shows that the increase in the number of cases of smallpox has kept very closely with general opposition to vaccination. Wherever these groups opposed to vaccination have organized their fight against it, in these same communities the number of cases has grown rapidly. Great portions of our country are again becoming susceptible to the disease, after many years of security. Former generations were familiar with the infection in its worst forms and welcomed gladly the protection offered by vaccination, with the result that the disease gave promise of dying out. But absence of danger has made us indifferent, until we are now faced with a menace that may be as disastrous as influenza, for many sections of the land."

"In the face of this rather general increase of prevalence, New Mexico has made an enviable record. Following the organization of the state health department and the very general vaccination of school children, there was a marked decline in smallpox throughout the State. Last summer, there was a stretch of four summer weeks, when the disease was absent from the State entirely, which was a reversal of conditions prevailing in former years. At no time has the number of cases reported in any one week risen above eight, since the middle of 1920; whereas before that time about twenty to thirty cases a week were reported. This condition has been due entirely to the cooperation of teachers and parents in having all school children vaccinated, for the decrease in our cases paralleled closely the adoption of this preventive measure in our schools."

"However, there is a large portion of our own population that is unvaccinated. It is among the adults of the State that we can look for a dangerous outbreak of smallpox, if vaccination is not very generally resorted to within the next few weeks."

"There is no fact in the whole realm of sanitary science that is so firmly established as that vaccination will prevent smallpox. Any one who will recall his own experience will remember that threatened outbreaks of the infection were always quelled, when the community accepted wholesale vaccination. Notwithstanding many statements to the contrary, the procedure of vaccination is not dangerous, when done with ordinary cleanliness. Although at least twenty-five thousand school children have been vaccinated in New Mexico since the fall of 1919, there has never come to the State Bureau of Health a single complaint of complications following it. This alone speaks for its safety."

"Every community in the State should take stock of its situation at once and should have no means untried to protect itself while there is yet ample time. The following suggestions are offered because of their simplicity and effectiveness:

1. Make a census of all school children, to be sure that none has missed vaccination.
2. Encourage every unvaccinated person to protect himself at once.
3. Provide free vaccination for indigents and make it available to all at the lowest possible cost. The Bureau of Health distributes vaccine at eight cents a point.
4. Regard with suspicion every case of "chickenpox" in an adult, for it may be mild smallpox.

# NO REINSTATING GOVERNMENT INSURANCE AFTER JAN. 1ST

Santa Fe, Dec. 6.—No reinstatement of government insurance may be made after the last day of this year.

This announcement of great importance to thousands of ex-service men in New Mexico and hundreds of thousands if not millions of veterans throughout the country, has just been received here and transmitted to all post commanders and adjutants of the American Legion by Herman B. Baca, adjutant, New Mexico department.

Mr. Baca calls on all post service officers to bring the government insurance regulations to the attention of the veterans. His letter is as follows:

"1. No reinstatement of government insurance can be made after December 31, 1921.

"2. All ex-service men can reinstate their Government insurance except those who have a total permanent disability or who have a disability not traceable to service.

"3. Regardless of how long a service man's war time or term insurance may have lapsed or been cancelled, or how long he may have been discharged from the service, he is permitted by a ruling of the Treasury Department to reinstate or reinstate and convert at any time before January 1, 1922.

"4. Yearly renewable term insurance may be reinstated by the payment of two monthly premiums and under the following conditions:

(a) Within three calendar months, including the calendar month for which the unpaid premium was due, provided the applicant is in as good health as at the due date of the premium in default and so states in his written application.

(b) After the expiration of three months and within six calendar months, including the month for which the unpaid premium was due, provided the applicant is in good health, so states in his written application and furnishes a report of a full medical examination substantiating that statement.

(c) After the six months' period and at any time prior to January 1, 1922, provided the applicant is in good health, so states in his written application and furnishes a report of a full medical examination substantiating that statement.

"United States Government Life Insurance may be reinstated by payment of all premiums in arrears with interest at the rate of five per cent per annum under the same conditions. (Signed)

"HERMAN B. BACA,"  
Adjutant, New Mexico Department."

# FOURIST HELD UP AND ROBBED NEAR SANTA FE

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 6.—Frederick A. Lage of Toledo, O., motoring in a big limousine to Bakersfield, Calif., with his wife and four children was held up and robbed of \$290 and his watch by two masked bandits at 10 o'clock Saturday night, near the U. S. Indian school, three miles from Santa Fe. De Lage, stranger to the country, was forced to drain his gas tank and he and his family remained in the car all night in a temperature of 10 above zero. Indian school officials discovered their plight in the morning and helped them thaw out the motor.

A series of robberies of motor tourists has occurred here lately.

# STATE GETS FEDERAL ROAD AID AT 61.50 TO 33.90 RATIO

Santa Fe, Dec. 2.—New Mexico gets \$61,500 of the more than \$1,000,000 allotment for road building carried in the recently passed \$75,000,000 highway act for every \$31,492 the state puts up. Highway Engineer Gillett has been officially advised.

Heretofore the state has had to put up \$50 for every \$50 of federal aid received, but the recently passed act cuts down the state's percentage because of the large acreage of unserved federal land in the state that escapes taxation.

This provision also applies to the unused part of the federal aid allotment and, Gillett estimated, saves the state \$500,000 it would have had to put up had the 60-60 plan been continued.

# ETERNAL SLEEP

Last Monday afternoon at 10 minutes past four o'clock, Mrs. Clara D. Leon, mother of Mrs. Albert Ziegler, passed away after twelve days' of suffering from pneumonia. Mrs. Leon had been ill at times for the past four years, according to Mrs. Ziegler's statement, but the same was unknown to her nearest friends, as she was of a disposition adverse to making her own troubles known, rather preferring to scatter sunshine than to recite her sorrows, but her recent illness wherein her advanced age was a hindrance to her battle with the disease, made resistance and medical aid of no avail and she passed with the silent boatman to the other shore.

The funeral services were held at the Ziegler home at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with Rabbi Martin Zielonka of Temple Mount Sinai, El Paso, Texas, conducting the same. He paid a high tribute to the character of the deceased, spoke of her saintly endurance with life's troubles and gave words of consolation to surviving relatives. After the rites were administered, an escort composed of Messrs. Geo. Ferguson, Past Worshipful Master of Carrizozo Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M., S. E. Miller, Secretary, J. B. French and E. O. Prehn, with pall bearers, E. M. Brickley, R. L. Stimmel, Dr. R. E. Hanes, Dr. E. E. Cole, H. P. Huppertz, A. L. Burke, all of the local Masonic lodge, escorted the remains to the depot, where the same were shipped to Trinidad, Colo., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ziegler, where final services will be held and interment made on Saturday.

Mrs. Clara Rosenfelt was born in Hoffenheim, Germany, May 26, 1845. She came to this country at the age of 20 years and was afterwards married to Mr. P. Leon. The couple was blessed with but one child, who is now Mrs. Albert Ziegler of Carrizozo, besides whom she leaves to mourn her loss, two granddaughters, Mrs. John Gutknecht of Chicago, Mrs. Chas. Coplin of Seattle, Washington; one grandson, Robert Arthur Coplin, Seattle, Washington; one brother, Charles Dobner of St. Louis, Mo., all of whom, except the latter, who is too feeble, will attend services and interment at Trinidad. Mrs. Leon was much loved by all who knew her. She was always present at the different society events held here and her name was identified with all who contributed to movements of a charitable nature. Kindheartedness, careful consideration for the feelings and needs of others were the chief characteristics of Mrs. Clara Leon.

The floral offerings which were many and beautiful and which lay banked beneath the casket were but mute tokens of love and reverence from the many friends of the deceased.

The Outlook extends its sympathy to the sorrowing relatives and would point out the fact that "after serving her generation well, she fell asleep."

# HENRY LUTZ, JR., NEW COMMISSIONER

To fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. J. T. Stone, Governor Mechem the first of this week appointed Henry Lutz, Jr., to fill the vacancy. As Mr. Lutz is from the same district as Corona is located in, Ancho, the appointment will meet with the hearty approval of the district. There were several others in the field for the position, all of whom were eligible, but when the appointment came it fell to Mr. Lutz.

No word of introduction is needed to bring the new appointee to the attention of the public. We all know and remember when he, after leaving the military institute at Roswell, enlisted in the army, crossed the pond and not only fought for his country, but was severely wounded and for a time was counted among the slain. His bravery and knowledge of military affairs caused him to advance in promotion and should he not have chosen to retire to private life, he could now rank high in army circles. Governor Mechem, no doubt saw a chance to give preference although in a small degree to one who had rendered his services to his country when in need. The new commissioner will take his seat at the first meeting in January.

The Baptist church is getting ready for the coming of the pastor's family by doing some improvements on the parsonage. Mrs. Blacklock and the two little girls, Ruthella, age 4, and Anita May, who was born Nov. 20, are still in Dec Moines, N. M., but will join the pastor in Carrizozo.

# FILIPINOS FACE A LONG ROAD TO SELF GOVERNMENT, SAYS REPORT OF WOOD AND FORBES

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—Despite extraordinary progress in the past 23 years, the Filipino people have a long road to travel before they will be ready to take their own government, according to the report made by Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, governor general of the islands, and W. Cameron Forbes, former governor general. The complete report was issued today by the war department, as a supplement to the recent publication of specific recommendations made by the two investigators.

# Progress Is Seen

Need of further national improvement is pointed out by the report which declares, however, that the administrative mistakes of the Filipinos have not been sufficient to counterbalance the steady rising progress barometer.

"Generally speaking," the report says, "administrative departments of the government are top-heavy in personnel and encumbered in red tape. There is a vast amount of paper work. The methods of the administration are purely autocratic. There is a lack of supervision and personal contact."

Discussing the policy pursued during the administration of Gov. Gen. Harris from 1914 to 1921, the report declared, "the orderly process of promotion to proved efficiency in the government service was changed to a 'hurried Filipinization' and continued."

# Efficiency Low.

"While there has been retrogression in the efficiency of most departments of the government during the past few years, we do not feel that the responsibility for this rests solely upon the Filipinos, as the ultimate responsibility for the selection of responsible officers and for the exercise of proper supervision was in the hands of the American governor general whose duty it was to appoint competent men at the heads of departments and bureaus, and above all, to exercise proper supervision over them."

# MECHAM OUT OF RACE FOR GOVERNORSHIP

He Will Positively Not Be a Candidate, State Executive Declares at Las Cruces Today.

Las Cruces, N. M., Dec. 3.—Governor Merritt C. Mechem will not be a candidate to succeed himself as governor. He made this announcement at the Temple of Agriculture here this morning in response to a question as to his candidacy next year.

"I will not be a candidate and I want it distinctly understood that I am not even a receptive candidate. I don't want any strings tied to me that it will be considered. I am not even a possible candidate," he said.

Governor Mechem, who is here to attend the convention of the Southwestern All Year National Park Association, said he will return to Socorro at the close of his term of office to resume his law practice.

# PRETTY HOME WEDDING AT WHITE OAKS

(Contributed)

The first home wedding to take place in White Oaks for many years occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Smith, when their daughter, Audrey, and Mr. Phillip Reasner were united in wedlock on December 3.

The bride was reared in Rochester, N. Y., and the groom, who is well known in Lincoln county, was reared in White Oaks.

The short but impressive service was read by John Walker, our justice of the peace. After the service the guests were delightfully entertained with music and dancing and at ten o'clock a nice luncheon was served. There were about fifty guests present.

The newly weds received many nice gifts and are now happily installed in their new home.

# BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME

The New Mexico Baptist Orphans' Home, located at Portales, is a new institution trying to do its bit in caring for the unfortunate children of the state. Children of any religious denomination or no denomination are admitted into the home. This home is in no sense trying to monopolize the state in this work, but we feel that we should have a part in it. It is the only non-Catholic denominational institution of its kind in the state, we believe the general public should have an opportunity to help in its support. There are now twenty-four in the Home and applications for many more. The management has planned a Christmas campaign for the home similar to the campaign of last year. We want the business people of Carrizozo and the public in general to know that we would appreciate at least a part of your contribution.

Join the pastor in Carrizozo.

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